(c) All the organisations under this Ministry have a Public Relations Department to manage PR works. However, whenever, there is any special requirement, the services of outside experts are availed for specified matters connected with media and publicity.

Relaxation of export rules to attract FDI

*312. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:
SHRI B. J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to relax export rules for more FDI and FII remittances to bridge the trade deficit;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) details of other financial reforms Government propose to bring in to achieve higher growth?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The vision of the Government for the financial sector is to have an integrated and globally competitive sector which is market-oriented, efficient, fair and transparent to facilitate steady growth. The Government's reform plans are delineated in the National Common Minimum Programme (NCMP).

Improvement of credit deposit ratio of Kerala

*313. PROF. P.J. KURIAN : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the credit-deposit ratio is lower in the State of Kerala compared to other Southern States;

(b) if so, the reason therefor; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to improve the credit-deposit ratio?